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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-8, and 11-16 as follows and add new claim 18:

1. (Currently amended)   A method of caching data files comprising:

providing a first computer;

providing a second computer;

establishing a peer to peer network relationship between said first computer and said second computer;

conveying a <u>video</u> file from said first computer to said second computer;

caching said <u>video</u> file.

2. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 1 wherein said caching said <u>video</u> file comprises:

caching said <u>video</u> file at a caching computer.

3. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 1 wherein said caching said <u>video</u> file comprises:

caching said <u>video</u> file at a location where said second computer is located.

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4. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 1 and further comprising:

receiving a request for said <u>video</u> file at said first computer from a third computer.

5. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 4 and further comprising:

directing said third computer to obtain said <u>video</u> file from said caching computer.

6. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 5 and further comprising:

establishing communications between said third computer and said caching computer; and

conveying said <u>video</u> file to said third computer.

7. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 1 and further comprising:

providing an intermediate computer to facilitate communications between said first computer and said third computer;

intercepting a request of said third computer for said <u>video</u> file.

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8. (Currently amended)   The method as described in claim 7 and further comprising:

directing said third computer to said caching computer so as to obtain said <u>video</u> file.

9. (Original)   The method as described in claim 7 and further comprising:

utilizing said intermediate computer as said caching computer.

10. (Original) The method as described in claim 1 and further comprising:

utilizing a global communication network to establish said peer to peer relationship.

11. (Currently amended)   A computer readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method comprising:

establishing a peer to peer relationship between a first computer and a second computer;

receiving a first request for a <u>video</u> file of the first computer from the second computer;

conveying said <u>video</u> file from the first computer to the second computer;

caching said <u>video</u> file.

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12. (Currently amended)   The computer readable medium as described in claim 11 wherein said method further comprises:

receiving a request for said <u>video</u> file from a third computer.

13. (Currently amended)   The computer readable medium as described in claim 11 wherein said method further comprises:

storing said <u>video</u> file at a caching computer for access by additional computers that request said <u>video</u> file.

14. (Currently amended)   The computer readable medium as described in claim 11 wherein said method further comprises:

caching said <u>video</u> file at a location where said second computer is located.

15. (Currently amended)   The computer readable medium as described in claim 11 wherein said method further comprises:

receiving a request for said <u>video</u> file at said first computer from a third computer.

16. (Currently amended)   The computer readable medium as described in claim 15 and further comprising:

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directing said third computer to obtain said <u>video</u> file from said caching computer.

17. (Original) The computer readable medium as described in claim 11 and further comprising:

utilizing a global communication network to establish said peer to peer relationship.

18. (new)   A method of caching data files comprising:

providing a first computer;

providing a second computer;

establishing a peer to peer network relationship between said first computer and said second computer;

conveying a video file from said first computer to said second computer;

caching said video file at a caching computer;

intercepting a request for said video file sent by a third computer to said first computer;

in response to said intercepting of said request, directing said third computer to obtain said video file from said caching computer;

establishing communications between said third computer and said caching computer;

conveying said <u>video</u> file to said third computer.